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POLICE SHOOTING

January 1, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:27)

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live from Fullerton with more on a deadly police shooting earlier that day—officers opened fire on a man who was sleeping inside his car, with a shotgun on his lap.

MURDER SUICIDE

January 3, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:28)

KCAL9 reporter Suraya Fadel reported live from the scene of breaking news—Montclair Police right now are investigating a multiple murder involving a father and his children.

SEX PREDATOR CAUGHT

January 9, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Glen Walker reported live from Cerritos that tonight, a man deputies describe as a violent sexual predator is behind bars. But authorities say they believe there may be more victims. His report provides the key pieces of evidence you may be able to identify.

NEW CRIME FIGHTER

January 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:41)

KCAL9 reporter Greg Phillips reported live from San Bernardino with an up close look at this newest addition to the police force. Police have a new crime fighter in San Bernardino—a state of the art helicopter to zero in on crime at a moment's notice.

SYLMAR SHOOTING

January 16, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:30)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Green reported that police are investigating a shooting outside Sylmar High School. Sky 9 was over the scene. The victim is reportedly a young man of about 19 and has been taken to the hospital. Few details about the crime have been released, but reports from the scene indicate the victim is not a student.

MARINE WIFE TRIAL

January 18, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:22)

KCAL9 reporter Ann Martin reported that a California woman takes the stand in the deadly poisoning of her marine husband. The defense is trying to show there's no link between Cynthia Sommer and the arsenic that killed her husband Todd.

WORKPLACE SHOOTING

January 18, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:37)

KCAL9 reporter Glen Phillips reported live with the latest on what police are calling a murder suicide—the deadly shooting at a Yorba Linda industrial park. They say a 20-year-old man opened fire on his 67-year-old grandmother, then he turned the gun on himself.

DEADLY CONFRONTATION

January 21, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:56)

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported that a 15-year-old boy is dead after a homeowner growing medical marijuana shot him during an alleged burglary. Tonight, both the homeowner and the boy's brother are behind bars.

SEX ABUSE IN CLASS

January 22, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:37)

KCAL9 Inland Empire reporter Greg Phillips reported live with the latest on an elementary school teacher in Victorville, now accused of inappropriately touching more than a dozen young girls. Since he turned himself in to police, the investigation turned up many more victims.

COLD CASE ARRESTS

January 23, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:38)

KCAL9 reporter Mary Beth McDade reported live with a big break for investigators in a cold case. The violent murder of a San Francisco police officer remained unsolved for 36 years, but tonight two Altadena men and six others are behind bars, thanks to new evidence.

TAGGERS CAUGHT

January 25, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:06)

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported that police are using an unlikely source to arrest suspected taggers—the popular website "MySpace" plays a role.

RESEDA HIT-AND-RUN

January 26, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported live from Reseda with the latest. Two suspects are under arrest this afternoon after a woman was struck and killed steps from her Reseda home. The alleged hit-and-run driver and a passenger were arrested a short time later. Police say the driver was behind the wheel of a stolen SUV.

MARINE MURDER - GUILTY VERDICT

January 30, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:26)

KCAL9 reporter Stacey Butler reported the story of the woman who wanted a lavish lifestyle fueled by sex, parties and plastic surgery. And jurors say she was willing to do anything to achieve that lifestyle, including poison her husband.

GIRL ABDUCTED

February 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:16)

KCAL9 reporter Greg Mills reported live from Adelanto, where he had been speaking with investigators. Police in Adelanto are searching for a man who attacked a 14-year-old girl on her way to school, and they're hoping people who live in the area may be able to help.

TSA UNIFORMS STOLEN

February 5, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 3:11)

KCAL9 Investigative Reporter David Goldstein reported this KCAL9 exclusive investigation. Hundreds of TSA uniforms and security badges are missing...sparking concern they could be in the hands of someone with a sinister plan.

ASTRONAUT ARRESTED

February 5, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:03)

KCAL9 reporter Leyna Nguyen reported live from the newsroom with this strange story—a female astronaut caught in a love triangle with a shuttle pilot and another woman. She was arrested on numerous charges, including assault and attempted kidnapping.

POLICE IMPERSONATOR CHARGES February 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported live from Downtown L.A. with details of the men accused of posing as police and preying on street vendors to swindle them out of cash. Today, the men accused of the crime appeared in court.

PEDESTRIAN HIT & RUN

February 8, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:53)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported that a woman is in critical condition this afternoon—the victim of a hit and run. A driver hit her as she crossed a street in Santa Ana. This report offered details on the driver police are trying to find.

HOME DEPOT SHOOTING

February 9, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live from Tustin with the latest on a robber who was dressed as a painter, but had crime on his mind—he opened fire at a Home Depot store today in Orange County, killing a store manager and father of twins. Now there is a huge reward in the case.

OXYCONTIN BANDIT

February 13, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:01)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported from Lake Forest, where the latest theft was caught on tape. A rash of robberies at several pharmacies—the thieves are after drugs that can be sold at a hefty profit.

PURSE SNATCHING

February 14, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:23)

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live from Garden Grove with details on a senior in a wheelchair who was surprised by a thief in broad daylight. Tonight, that woman is speaking out hoping to help police catch the crook.

PHONY COP CASE

February 16, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:31)

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live from Newport Beach with details on a warning to women in Orange County—be on alert. A sexual predator is pretending to be a cop, and he's already groped two women.

SPLASH AND GRAB

February 20, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:27)

KCAL9 Anchor Ann Martin reported on a troubling new crime wave. Instead of packing a gun or a knife, robbers are using a scalding hot surprise as their weapon of choice. Police call them, "splash and grabs", and the crimes are leaving victims permanently scarred.

PILLOW DEATH

February 20, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:19)

KCAL9 reporter Glen Walker reported live from Reseda with details on the murder investigation that detectives are in the midst of. An elderly woman was found dead in her San Fernando Valley home with a pillow over her head.

BLUETOOTH BANDIT

February 21, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:35)

KCAL9 reporter Lonni Rivera reported that cyber bandits are getting smarter and bolder. It seems that just about everything electronic that we use, including cell phones, could be at risk.

VIOLENT ASSAULTS

February 23, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:13)

KCAL9 reporter Greg Phillips reported live from Riverside with late details on the string of vicious attacks on women—a man has been hitting them over the head with a metal bar. But tonight, we've got a sketch of the man.

ANAHEIM HIT & RUN

February 26, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:38)

KCAL9 reporter Carter Evans reported live from Anaheim, with the story of a deadly hit-and-run accident in Anaheim. Now police are looking for the driver who struck and killed a 55-year-old man. And we show more on how the victim's family is dealing with his death.

FIERY FATAL

February 28, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:48)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported live from near Los Feliz with more details on the deadly car fire. Police believe that arson might be to blame for the car fire near Los Feliz. A man and a woman were trapped in the car.

RETIRED OFFICER STABBED

February 28, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:30)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported live from Huntington Beach with details on our big story at four o'clock. The trouble began when the former deputy saw a teenager tagging. Then things got ugly, and now the retired deputy is in the hospital.

USC HIT & RUN

March 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:06)

KCAL9 reporter Annie Kim reported live from near USC, with the latest on the situation—a man was run down and killed at Vermont & Jefferson. Police now are trying to track down the truck driver who left the scene.

WORKPLACE SHOOTING

March 5, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:38)

KCAL9 reporter Mary Beth McDade reported live from Signal Hills where it was a traumatic day for workers at a printing company. A disgruntled employee walked in and opened fire, seriously wounding three people before turning the gun on himself. Police say the 67-year-old gunman was upset his hours had been cut back.

KIDNAP AND ROBBERY

March 8, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:44)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported live from Aliso Viejo, with the top story at noon. Deputies say the suspect will be charged with attempted kidnapping and robbery. New technology allowed them to nab him quickly.

COAST MESA RAPIST

March 9, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:01)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported on an extremely violent attack, committed as the unsuspecting victim got out of her car after a night out with friends. Fortunately, neighbors heard her screams and this afternoon the suspect is behind bars.

COUEY SENTENCED

March 14, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:29)

KCAL9 reporter Teri Okita reported that a jury is recommending death for the man convicted of kidnapping, raping and murdering a little girl he snatched from her bedroom.

GARDEN GROVE MURDER

March 15, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported on the hunt for a killer. Garden Grove police say an 81-year-old woman was murdered in her home. Firefighters found the body after a concerned neighbor who hadn't seen her in a while, called investigators.

CVS PERVERT

March 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:31)

KCAL9 reporter Dave Mecham reported that in Lynwood, a man exposed himself to a girl as she walked through a pharmacy. The incident happened in a CVS story in Lynwood last month, and was all caught on tape. Now L.A. County Sheriff's deputies hope someone can help them find the predator.

ALTADENA AMBER ALERT

March 19, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:30)

KCAL9 reporter Glen Walker reported live from Altadena, where an Amber Alert remains in effect tonight—police searching for a mother who allegedly kidnapped her four-year-old son and killed the boy's uncle in the process.

POT BUST

March 21, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:34)

KCAL9 reporter Mary Beth McDade reported live from Diamond Bar, where a raid today exposed a very lucrative hot house. Deputies seized over two-thousand marijuana plants believed to be worth millions of dollars.

LAX EMPLOYEE THEFT

March 23, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:13)

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported live from LAX with the story of at least ten airport workers and a transient facing charges this afternoon. Most of the accused thieves work for the Transportation Security Administration.

CHILD ABDUCTION

March 28, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported that a critical search is underway for a man who police say abducted his four-year-old daughter, and who may now be suicidal.

CANYON COUNTRY ASSAULT

March 30, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported that the search is on for a violent rapist who attacked a woman in Canyon Country. Deputies say he held her at knifepoint in her bedroom and sexually assaulted her early this morning.

CONGRESS TODAY

January 4, 4-5p newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Green reported on the new Congress in Washington. The country now has the first ever woman Speaker of the House, a Californian. Representative Nancy Pelosi pledges to put partisanship aside to make room for partnership.

IRAQ / BUSH CONGRESS

January 5, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:09)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that battle lines were being drawn over President Bush's new war plan in Iraq. He hasn't yet announced the specifics, but tonight key Congressional leaders have come out against the surgery in troops that it appeared the President will want.

IRAQ / BUSH-DEMOCRATS

January 8, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:29)

KCAL9 reporter Aleen Sirgany reported that in less than 48 hours, President Bush will address the nation about his new plan for Iraq. And the President is expected to recommend a surge of U.S. troops to Baghdad. That is not sitting well with Democratic lawmakers.

ARNOLD / STATE OF THE STATE

January 9, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:28)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger presented one of the most sweeping agendas in California history that night, in his 2007 State of the State address.

EXECUTIONS IN IRAQ

January 15, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Aleen Sirgany reported that a wave of anger was sweeping over the streets of Iraq, after the execution of two Saddam Hussein loyalists. And like with Saddam's execution, there is controversy.

IRAQ / BUSH SURGE

January 16, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:20)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that tonight Iraq shudders after another day of bloody car bomb attacks. The death toll reaches 142, and the target is a leading Baghdad University. And President Bush has harsh criticism for the botched execution of Saddam Hussein, saying it looked like it was a revenge killing.

GONZALES / WIRETAP

January 18, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that Attorney General Alberto Gonzales ran into the wrath of the Senate Judiciary Committee that day. Gonzales testified less than 24 hours after he announced that the Bush Administration's controversial warrant-less wiretap program would be monitored by an independent court.

STATE OF THE UNION

January 23, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:32)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that President Bush delivered his first ever State of the Union speech to a Democratic Congress that night. The President pushed his Iraq policy and proposed a domestic agenda that focused on energy and health care.

SENATE / BUSH IRAQ

January 24, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:58)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that that night, a key senate committee snubbed President Bush the day after he asked Congress to give his new Iraq strategy a chance.

THE BATTLE FOR IRAQ

January 26, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:52)

KCAL9 reporter Gwen Belton reported that there was a "war of words" on Capitol Hills over the battle for Iraq. Republicans and Democrats squaring off over the President's plan to send more troops. Mr. Bush isn't holding back, either.

<u>IRAQ</u>

January 29, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:41)

KCAL9 reporter Aleen Sirgany reported that U.S. and Iraqi troops fought a bloody battle that left hundreds of militants dead. It also cost two U.S. soldiers their lives.

IRAQ POLITICS

January 31, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:19)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that two Senate leaders of the movement to put Congress on record against President Bush's troop buildup in Iraq have now joined forces—a Democrat and a Republican.

DNC MTG / HILLARY

February 2, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:53)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that the crowded field of Democratic Presidential candidates could not wait for the debates this April in New Hampshire, so today they began the debate over Iraq at the party's winter meeting, and Senator Hillary Clinton was right in the middle of things.

COLIN POWELL UN SPEECH

February 5, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:38)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that four years ago today, Americans and much of the world gathered around their TV sets to hear what is arguably the single most important speech used to "sell" the Iraq war to the public. Tonight we look back at the speech, the speaker and the impact it had on subsequent events.

CANDID COMMENTS / ARNOLD

February 5, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:32)

KCAL9 reporter John Lobertini reported that Governor Schwarzenegger is again raising eyebrows with candid comments that were caught on tape. On the recordings, the Governor can be heard complaining about certain California politicians.

IRAQ / HOUSE DEBATE

February 8, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:35)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that the House of Representatives is heading toward a vote next week on a controversial Iraq resolution, which would put the House on record, opposing President Bush's decision to send more U.S. troops into combat. But it would also voice support for troops already there.

THE BATTLE FOR IRAQ

February 12, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Aleen Sirgany reported that in the battle for Iraq, the attacks were especially relentless today. Car bombs in Baghdad killed at least 80, on this—the anniversary of the bombing of the Golden Dome Mosque in Samara.

NORTH KOREA AGREEMENT

February 13, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:08)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that the debate has already begun tonight over a deal to begin dismantling North Korea's nuclear weapons program. The Bush Administration is calling it a diplomatic breakthrough, but some critics charge it could be a disaster for the U.S.

BUSH PRESSER

February 14, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:31)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that President Bush got testy today under intense questioning from reporters, about Iran's role in the Iraq war. Also tonight, a small band of Republicans breaks ranks in the House debate on the President's strategy to send more troops to Iraq.

IRAQ - SENATE

February 17, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 reporter Tracie Strahan reported that Senate Democrats are claiming victory in the Iraq war debate. Though unlike the House, they fell short of enough votes to condemn the President's troop buildup.

OBAMA TONIGHT

February 20, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:02)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported live from Beverly Hills with the latest on the Obama campaign. Democratic Illinois Senator Barack Obama is making his first official campaign appearance in Southern California. He began the day in the Crenshaw district, and now tonight he is in Beverly Hills.

BLAIR / IRAQ PULLOUT

February 21, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 reporter Charlie D'Agata reported that the U.S. led coalition in Iraq is shrinking—America's biggest ally, Britain, today confirmed it's withdrawing more than one-thousand of its troops. The White House says it's a sign of success, but critics say it's a sign of disaster.

ELECTION 2008 FUNDRAISING

February 24, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:13)

KCAL9 reporter Joie Chen reported that a political deep freeze is in store for any White House hopeful who is not able to raise tens of millions of dollars in campaign money. Experts predict the 2008 election could hit the billion-dollar mark.

ARNOLD IN DC

February 26, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:49)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reported that Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger accused Washington leaders today of divisiveness and partisanship and chided them to learn the lessons of California and start cooperating. The Governor is in the Capitol for the winter meeting of the National Governors Association.

<u>IRAQ</u>

February 26, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 reporter Pauline Chew reported that the Iraqi government's top level of leadership came under armed attack today as insurgents attempted to assassinate one of Iraq's two vice presidents. All of this as Iraq's President was flow to Jordan with health problems.

IRAQ TALKS / POLITICS

February 28, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 4:11)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that tonight, plans are in high gear for talks with Iran and Syria, while Baghdad is hit by more car bombings and more bloodshed. And in Washington, Democrats are debating where to go next with their anti-war strategy.

HOMELAND SECURITY MONEY

March 1, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:47)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that tonight the Department of Homeland Security is under fire for what critics are calling a waste of precious anti-terrorism funds—funds allegedly being spent on frivolous projects in remote areas where there's very low risk of terrorist attack.

IRAQ TONIGHT

March 7, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:41)

KCAL9 reporter Aleen Sirgany reported that even more U.S. forces are heading for Iraq. Defense Secretary Robert Gates says the Pentagon is sending an additional 22-hundred military police that will help in the crackdown in Baghdad.

UNLIKELY ALLIANCE

March 14, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:09)

KCAL9 reporter Allen Pizzey reported that the U.S. has forged a new alliance in one of the most dangerous regions of Iraq—U.S. troops are teaming up with Sunni tribes.

IRAQ / SYRIA

March 11, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:49)

KCAL9 reporter Charlie D'Agata reported that three more American soldiers were among those who lost their lives today in Iraq. Meanwhile President Bush has left the door open for more Diplomatic contacts with Iran and Syria.

KHALID MOHAMMED

March 15, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:43)

KCAL9 reporter Susan Roberts reported that more stunning information was released today by the Pentagon, about a top Al-Qaeda operative. According to the military, Khalid Sheikh Mohammed confessed to planning the 9-11 terrorist attacks and much more.

MORE TROOPS / IRAQ

March 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:29)

KCAL9 reporter Susan Roberts reported that there are reports today that even more troops might be headed to Iraq. Military commanders are asking for another army combat unit, in addition to the 26-thousand troops just sent to the country.

IRAQ TODAY

March 19, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:53)

KCAL9 reporter Gwen Belton reported that the war has become increasingly unpopular with the public, and Democrats are taking this opportunity to pass legislation and bring U.S. troops home. In this report, he revisits the series of events that led the U.S. to this day.

BUSH / U.S. ATTORNEYS

March 21, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:23)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that tonight President Bush and the Democratically-controlled Congress move closer to a fullblown legal showdown over the firing of eight U.S. attorneys.

IRAQ SPENDING

March 23, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:27)

KCAL9 reporter Gwen Belton reported that in Washington, the House passed a war spending Bill today, and it sets a deadline for U.S. troops to leave Iraq. The President is vowing to veto the measure.

MITT ROMNEY / L.A.

March 27, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:18)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that tonight the battle for the Republican nomination moved to Southern California for an evening. Former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for his campaign at a fundraiser in Brentwood, hosted by a former L.A. Police Commission President.

IRAN STANDOFF

March 30, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 reporter David Martin reported that the propaganda war over the captured British service members in Iran is heating up tonight. A captive marine was shown on TV today apologizing—a move that prompted British Prime Minister Tony Blair to call what Iran is doing disgusting.

HEALTH & MEDICINE

ARTHRITIS TREATMENT

January 1, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:03)

KCAL9 Healthwatch Reporter Dilva Henry reported that the pain of arthritis can be debilitating, but now there's a new treatment that's becoming more and more popular. It claims to ease the pain without surgery.

WEIGHT LOSS RESOLUTIONS

January 1, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:31)

KCAL9 reporter Glen Walker reported that it's January 1st and you probably have a few New Year's resolutions—many people want to start exercising and drop some pounds, but by March most people stop doing both. He provides a few tips on making those resolutions a reality all year long.

COUGH MEDICINE

January 12, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:42)

KCAL9 Doctor Sean Kenniff reported that many of us suffering from colds and coughs turn to over-the-counter remedies. But that's not a good idea for very young children. In fact, those medicines can have very dangerous consequences.

EGGS FIGHT CANCER

January 15, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:33)

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported a possible breakthrough in the fight against cancer. British scientists say they have developed genetically modified chickens that can lay eggs with the proteins required to make cancer-fighting drugs.

PETS & SMOKING

January 16, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:38)

KCAL9 reporter Glen Walker reported that a new study from Finland suggests pet owners smoke more cigarettes than non-pet owners. They also apparently have a higher body-mass index. An according to the study, pet owners spend less time playing organized sports.

NEW BRAIN CELLS

January 18, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:49)

KCAL9 Doctor Sanja Gupta reported on something to think about when you're tempted to skip your workout: Recent studies suggest even low impact exercise like walking can help you become quicker, smarter and sharper.

LEAN FOODS

January 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:35)

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported that the Food and Drug Administration is expanding the use of the term "lean" for prepared meals such as burritos, pizzas and egg rolls. Under the new rule, meals on the go that contain less than eight grams of total fat, three point five grams or less of saturated fat, and less than 80-milligrams of cholesterol will be allowed to use "lean" on their labels.

QUITTING TAMOXIFEN

January 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:38)

KCAL9 reporter Ann Martin reported that an alarming new study finds breast cancer survivors are giving up early on a potentially life-saving treatment. Scientists say 40-thousand cancer recurrences are prevented each year because of Tamoxifen, but many women stop taking it well before the recommended five years.

BIRTH CONTROL PILLS

January 33, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:18)

KCAL9 reporter Ann Martin reported that for decades women have relied on birth control pills to prevent pregnancy, but now, the pill may not work as well as it used to.

SCIENCE OF HOT SAUCE

January 26, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:33)

KCAL9 reporter Sandra Mitchell reported that if you're overweight and have tried just about everything to shed those unwanted pounds, try hitting the hot sauce.

EXECUTIVE PHYSICAL

January 29, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:42)

KCAL9 Doctor Sean Kenniff reported that most people think they're doing well by getting a physical exam every year. But how much does it really tell about their health? To get a really good picture of how they're doing, some are now turning to longevity centers for more indepth tests.

CANCER DRIVING

February 2, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported new evidence that drivers who spend a lot of time on the road face a higher risk of developing skin cancer—and that cancer is more likely to be on the left side of their bodies, and is more likely to affect men.

PREGNANCY / BLOOD PRESSURE

February 5, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:23)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Green reported that during pregnancy, many women suffer from elevated or high blood pressure, but new research finds the condition may cause complications down the road.

LIGHT-SENSITIVE WOMAN

February 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:49)

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported live from Alhambra with the story of an uncommon condition that has baffled doctors and kept one Southland teenager confined to her home. Now there is new hope that a specialist in Boston could help in her battle with light sensitivity.

DIET REVOLUTION

February 7, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 reporter Sandra Mitchell reported that the dreaded plateau derails many dieters. So how do you keep losing pounds, after stalling out? Doctors say a revolutionary diet-drug-combo could do the trick.

COOL THERAPY

February 7, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Green reported that doctors are using a cool new way to help heart attack patients survive—and it literally is "cool".

KISSING BUG

February 9, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:26)

KCAL9 reporter Leyna Nguyen reported that the so-called "kissing bug" nests in Southern California foothills and attacks its victims while they sleep. She finds out how to tell if you've been bitten.

VIAGRA OTC

February 13, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:34)

KCAL9 reporter Charlie D'Agata reported that some pharmacies in Britain have started a test program selling Viagra over the counter, and doctors are outraged.

WOMEN & HEART DISEASE

February 13, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:39)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Green reported that heart disease is the number one killer of American women. But now doctors have a new and more accurate way of predicting who's at risk of developing cardiovascular problems.

FAST FACELIFT

February 14, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Ann Martin reported that if you look in the mirror and wish you could erase a few years, getting a facelift has never been easier. New options can give you a lift without the long, painful recovery.

HYDRO YOGA

February 19, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:10)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Green reported that if you're tired of your same old exercise routine, then now you can get out of the gym and into the pool to get a good workout that combines several different exercises.

CANCER VACCINE

February 21, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:32)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Green reported that the government says the new cervical cancer vaccine is safe, and no additional warning labels are necessary. The vaccine "Gardasil" as approved last June for girls and women aged nine to 26. Since then, more than 500 cases of mostly minor side effects have been reported.

MOVIE DANGERS

February 21, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:01)

KCAL9 reporter Paul Magers reported that in just a few days, your favorite stars will be walking away with Oscars—but you could walk out of the theater with an invisible danger that could make you sick.

FOOD PAIRING

February 22, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:15)

KCAL9's Doctor James reported that like peanut butter & jelly and berries & cream, some foods just seem to go together perfectly. But certain food pairings can also make them healthier.

MEN ANALGESICS

February 26, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:27)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Green reported that although millions of people use over-the-counter pain relievers, new research links the popular pills to high blood pressure.

CHICKEN LIVER

February 27, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:25)

KCAL9 reporter Doctor James reported that there may be a way to fight heart disease with chicken livers.

HEPATITIS SCARE

February 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:32)

KCAL9 reporter Christina McLarty reported that a glamorous event in West Hollywood ends with a health scare. Now some of the most famous women in entertainment are being told they need to seek medication attention and obtain a shot.

RUSSIAN WEIGHT LOSS

March 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:23)

KCAL9 reporter Christina McLarty reported that when it comes to cleansing the body and trimming the fat, some say the "rock room" holds the weight loss secrets of Russian czars. She takes us to the L.A. spa that's become a favorite of celebrities.

DIABETES DIET

March 6, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:02)

KCAL9's Doctor James reported that cutting your risk of diabetes in half may be easier than you think.

DRUG-FREE COWS

March 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:36)

KCAL9 reporter Greg Mills reported encouraging news today for advocates of natural food. California's biggest milk producer says it is phasing out the use of a growth hormone that increases a cow's milk production.

SURVIVOR DIET

March 8, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:04)

KCAL9's Doctor James reported that it takes more than just an "immunity challenge" to last on 'Survivor'. Contestants have to get used to a radically different diet. Doctor James shows us what to eat to survive.

WOMEN DIETS

March 11, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:38)

KCAL9's Doctor Sean Kenniff reported the details of a new medical study that may have you serving up an old dish. Researchers say the low-carb Atkins diet has some of the best long-term results when compared with a few other diets.

CELL PHONES SPERM

March 14, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:18)

KCAL9 reporter Sue Kwon spoke with the lead researcher of a new report, to talk about the findings. A third of infertility cases are unexplained—and a new report in a leading fertility journal blames cell phones for the problem.

SNACK ATTACK

March 15, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:15)

KCAL9's Doctor James reported details on how you can have a snack in the middle of the day, and not blow your diet.

GASTRIC BYPASS

March 19, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:09)

KCAL9 reporter Stephanie Stahl reported that gastric by-pass surgery is usually only recommended for those who are morbidly obese. Now some doctors are looking at the surgery as a way to treat diabetes.

LOSE TEN POUNDS

March 22, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:16)

KCAL9's Doctor James reported that now that spring is here, it's time to put away comfort foods and get ready for swimsuit season. If that means dropping about ten pounds, he has some ideas on how to do it.

SMOKING

March 24, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9's Doctor Mallika Marshall reported that although experts say smoking just one cigarette can hurt the body, new research shows that long-term smokers who kick the habit can reverse some of the damage.

MRI & BREAST CANCER

March 28, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:31)

KCAL9's Doctor Mallika Marshall reported important news concerning breast cancer. The American Cancer Society believes that some high-risk women may need more than just a mammogram.

PROSTATE CANCER

March 31, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9's Doctor Sean Kenniff reported that a panel of experts is deciding whether the FDA should approve a new drug, said to be a vaccine against prostate cancer.

EDUCATION & YOUTH

OC SCHOOL RAZOR

January 3, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:35)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reported that investigators are trying to figure out if someone intentionally left razor blades on a middle school athletic field. One teenager cut his foot while playing Lacrosse.

SCHOOL TRAFFIC SAFETY

January 6, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Davis reported a traffic safety alert for parents. A warning from police—driving students to and from school can be one of the most dangerous times of the day for children.

CHILDHOOD OBESITY

January 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:38)

KCAL9 Doctor Mallika Marshall reported that while childhood obesity can begin at any age, a new report finds that one age group is especially susceptible.

INFANTS / COLD MEDICINE

January 11, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:47)

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported a warning about babies and cold medicine—the Government says more than 15-hundred toddlers and infants wound up in emergency rooms over a two-year period due to bad reactions to cold/cough medicine. The CDC says parents should not give over-the-counter cold remedies to children under two years old, unless they first consult a doctor.

SCHOOL FLOODED

January 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:02)

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported live from an elementary school in Lancaster, where the continuing Southern California cold has caused a lot of damage. Bursting water pipes flooded classrooms and destroyed almost everything students need to learn.

BABY SEAT REPORT RECALL

January 18, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 reporter Bob Orr reported that it's one of the leading voices in instituting product recalls, but tonight Consumer Reports is recalling one of its reports. The magazine is backing off from its negative report released earlier this month, on infant car seats.

PASADENA SCHOOL

January 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:10)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported that the big freeze that cost citrus growers millions of dollars is also hurting a Pasadena nursery school. For years, the school raised money by selling oranges. But with the crop destroyed, now the school has to come up with another plan.

SEX ABUSE IN CLASS

January 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:51)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported that the investigation into alleged sexual abuse by a Victorville Elementary School escalated dramatically that day. The teacher wanted for questioning turned himself in to police over the weekend after he was named a suspect in two cases. Now detectives claim there may be additional 13 female victims.

MUSIC TEACHER MOLEST

January 25, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 2:06)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported live from Whittier that a music teacher was accused of sexually molesting an eight-year-old girl. Investigators say she's not the only victim, and they're asking others to come forward.

FREEWAY / KID LUNGS

January 26, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:49)

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Sabih reported that living near the freeway can be hazardous for your health, especially for your kids. A USC study says children who live near major highways are likely to have damaged lungs for life.

TEACHER / PARENT STRIKE

January 29, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:35)

KCAL9 reporter Greg Mills reported live from Fontana with the story of "No money, no classes!"...That's the word from teachers in the Colton School District, who have voted to walk off the job to demand higher wages.

SEX OFFENDER AT SCHOOL

January 30, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:21)

KCAL9 reporter Mary Beth McDade reported live from Torrance with a frightening scenario inside a Torrance elementary school—a convicted sex offender allowed by the school to volunteer! Tonight, parents are demanding answers.

GRADUATION PLAN

February 1, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that a state lawmaker is floating a plan to increase the number of registered voters, and it's tied to graduation. The plan is that every high school student would have to register to vote before receiving a diploma. If the measure becomes law, it would go into effect with the graduating class of 2010.

SCHOOL ON WHEELS

February 8, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 3:07)

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported that more than ten-thousand children in L.A.'s schools are homeless. Many literally live on street corners, in cars or shelters. Tonight, we want to tell you about a woman who's trying to change the course of their lives the only way she knows how—by teaching.

TEACHERS' TENTATIVE DEAL

February 13, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:54)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Green reported that teachers and the L.A. School District have reached a deal on a new contract averting a threatened strike. LAUSD officials and union representatives held a joint news conference this afternoon. The new tentative three-year deal gives a six-percent raise to teachers and also reduces the size of classes.

<u>INFANTS / TWISTED INTESTINES</u> <u>February 13, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:35)</u>

KCAL9 Anchor Ann Martin reported that parents are being warned about a potentially life-threatening condition in which an infant's intestines wind up twisted. The FDA says it's seeing cases involving children who've been vaccinated against rotavirus.

AMERICAN CHILDREN / CHILD WELFARE February 14, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:45)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reported that according to a new U.N. report, the United States does a poor job caring for its children. The U.S. ranks 20th out of the 21 industrialized countries when it comes to child welfare. Only Great Britain was listed below the U.S.

FLU / CHILDREN

February 15, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:35)

KCAL9 Anchor Ann Martin reported that a new study could change the way we fight the flu in young children. The study says children under five who got the live vaccine nasal sprays had 55% fewer cases of flu. Currently the vaccine is not approved for patients that young.

BABY SAVED W/ VIAGRA

February 16, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:27)

KCAL9 reporter Suraya Fadel reported live from the newsroom with details on the infant saved by the little blue pill—Viagra is a lifesaver for many men, but for a baby?

TINY BABY

February 20, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:20)

KCAL9 reporter Mabel Rodriguez reported on the girl being called the "miracle baby". Amillia Taylor was born prematurely, at just 21 weeks—one of the tiniest babies ever. But she was a fighter and today she is stronger and well enough to head home.

LOCAL TINY BABY

February 24, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:17)

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported the amazing story of a tiny survivor—Yenea Carroll was born 21 weeks premature. When she was born 20 years ago, she was the smallest baby Cedars Sinai Hospital had ever seen, at just one pound and one ounce. Today she says she wants to give hope to parents of premature babies.

KIDS PAINT AIR TOWER

February 25, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported that students in Long Beach have put the final brushstrokes on an unusual art project called, "Portraits of Hope." They're painting designs that will adorn the tall air control tower at Long Beach Airport.

SEVEN-YEAR-OLD HERO

February 25, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:48)

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live from Canyon Country with the story of a seven-year-old who kept her cool calling 911 when her mother was sick. Now that little hero has received a special thanks from some local fire fighters.

KIDS' COLD REMEDIES

March 2, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:31)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Greene reported that when children get a cold, parents automatically reach for over-the-counter cold medicines. But some pediatricians warn against that. They say common drugs don't work, and can even be dangerous.

HYPNOTHERAPY / CHILDREN

March 5, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:48)

KCAl9's Doctor Mallika Marshall reported that if you imagine your child in constant pain and being powerless to stop it, that is the feeling that parents of kids with chronic pain are faced with. But one doctor is teaching to stop their suffering with the power of their mind.

MAYOR / SCHOOL RUNOFF

March 7, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:38)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reported that with so much at stake for L.A. schools, forces on both sides of the Mayor's takeover battle must wait for the outcome of a runoff. A teacher's union-backed incumbent has won a School Board seat, as did one of the candidates supported by Mayor Villaraigosa.

SCHOOL BRAWL

March 9, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:35)

KCAL9 reporter Dave Mecham reported that it's the end of a troubled week at Hawthorne High School. A heavy police presence greeted students as they returned to class today—the day after racial tensions erupted in a brawl that shut down the school.

EPICUREAN COOKING SCHOOL

March 14, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:36)

KCAL9 Entertainment Reporter Christina McLarty reported live at the Epicurean School of Culinary Arts, with the story of a culinary class with a twist.

JOY DEGREE

March 15, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported that from the "id" and the "super-ego" to the power of positive psychology, a Southland graduate school offers a Doctoral program focused on what makes people happy.

TEACHERS' CONTRACT / LAUSD

March 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:26)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported that teachers in the LAUSD have ratified their new contract and averted a strike threat. The deal gives teachers a six-percent pay hike and increased health benefits. The L.A. School District also has agreed to reduce class sizes gradually over the next three years.

TEACHER IN TROUBLE

March 20, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:39)

KCAL9 reporter Stacey Butler reported that tonight there is a teacher in trouble. Family members called it a nervous breakdown, but the police are calling it serial shoplifting. Tonight a high school English teacher from Claremont is off the job and in big trouble, and police say the shoplifting evidence was caught on tape.

FACULTY STRIKE VOTE

March 21, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:33)

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported that tonight, Cal State University teachers have voted overwhelmingly in favor of a walkout. 94% of the California Faculty Association members who voted support a strike if labor contract negotiations break down.

STUDENT STABBED

March 23, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Mary Beth McDade reported live from Athens with the story of a fight and a weapon that led to a deadly stabbing at Washington Preparatory High School in the Athens area of South L.A. The victim was a 17-year-old student.

CLOWNS FOR KIDS

March 23, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:47)

KCAL9's Doctor Sean Kenniff reported that it can be a bit scary and not so fun for children who are sick on the hospital, so to meet the challenge of making them feel safe and keeping their spirits up, doctors across the country are prescribing a little 'clowning around'.

ARNOLD HELPS KIDS

March 29, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:53)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger played the role of a real-life action hero today, when he came to the rescue of a little girl who had fainted during his speech. The Governor was in Bakersfield speaking at an event for the Cesar Chavez Foundation.

HEART TRANSPLANT BOY March 30, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:14)

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Sabih reported a progress report with Robbie—a heart transplant saved him as a baby, and now again as a teenager. We've been following Robbie's story for 15 years.

COMMUNITY & MINORITY ISSUES

FIRST BABY BORN

January 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:37)

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported that with the new year, a new life. One of the first babies born in Southern California made his public debut in West Los Angeles.

DISTRESS SIGNAL

January 3, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:05)

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported the latest developments on the local man stuck in the middle of nowhere—caught in the stormy seas on a trip around the world. Tonight the frantic race to rescue Ken Barnes.

MARIACHI PROTEST

January 4, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:27)

KCAL9 reporter Suraya Fadel reported live from Boyle Heights with the story of a group of mariachis protesting conditions in an apartment building where they all live. They say mariachis have been living in the building for 100 years, and allegedly now a new owner is threatening to push them out.

LAPD MIDWIFE

January 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Sabih reported live from Kaiser Permanente Medical Center in West L.A. An LAPD officer found himself playing midwife early this morning, helping to deliver a healthy baby in the front seat of a car.

ARMENIAN CHRISTMAS

January 6, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:37)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Clark reported that orthodox Christians around the world were celebrating Christmas that day. This morning, members of the Armenian church attended masses like the one in Glendale. All Christians used to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ on January 6th until the fourth century. The Armenian Church is one of the most ancient branches of Christianity.

USC DANELO DEATH

January 7, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported new details that night in the death of a USC football player, as family and friends mourn the young man's tragic death.

HISTORIC DEMOLITION

January 7, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Carter Evans reported live at the site of what was once a classic 1950's drive-in in Downey, with breaking news on the controversy over the building being demolished.

MARTIN LUTHER KING PARADE

January 15, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:30)

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported live with the highlights of a parade honoring Dr. King here in Southern California, which was one of the biggest events in the country. Some are saying this year's "Kingdom Day Parade" in South L.A. was the best in its 22-year history.

MISSING OC WOMAN

January 16, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:14)

KCAI9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported live from Stanton, with the latest on the disappearance of a Stanton woman, who has been missing for a week now. She vanished after leaving her job in Downey.

TEMECULA HATE CRIME

January 6, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:23)

KCAL9 Inland Empire reporter Greg Mills reported that a Temecula family no longer feels safe in their own home. Twice now, the family has been the target of hate crimes. Swastikas painted on walls, and windows broken.

HARBOR GATEWAY TRUCE

January 18, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:46)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported on a big move to end the racial divide in Harbor Gateway. Black residents targeted by a Latino street gang are hoping that gang will honor a pledge of peace. But the pledge apparently does not carry weight with police officers.

SUSAN G. KOMEN 25TH ANNIVERSARY January 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:54)

KCAL9 Anchor reporter Laura Diaz reported that today was the 25th anniversary of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, and organizers have an eye on the future. It's the organization behind the "Race for the Cure", which raises money to help eradicate the deadly disease.

SANTANA HOUSE

January 24, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:38)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that rock guitarist Carlos Santana is now helping victims of abuse with the opening of a new multipurpose center. Today marked the grand opening of the "Santana House", named in his honor. His wife, county officials and other community leaders attended the event.

CHURCH VANDALS

January 26, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:47)

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Davis reported that a religious statue was defaced in Long Beach. The church has been the target of vandals for months. But the latest incident has parishioners and neighbors especially concerned.

WAR PROTEST

January 27, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:38)

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported that the rain didn't stop Southern Californians who oppose the war in Iraq from marching through downtown today. It was one of several such protests held across the nation today.

90-YEAR-OLD FITNESS INSTRUCTOR February 3, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:47)

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported the story of a local fitness instructor who celebrated her birthday last Monday—but would you believe she is 90 years old.

HIP CULVER CITY

February 3, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:48)

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported that Culver City was once only known for a famous movie studio and a place to buy tires. Now, Culver City has become Southern California's newest hot spot.

REAGAN BIRTHDAY

February 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:27)

KCAL9 reporter Kimberly Plummer reported that today marks what would have been late President Ronald Reagan's 96th birthday, and his Presidential Library in Simi Valley is celebrating with a series of events.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

February 13, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reported that a Los Angeles woman died in October leaving behind a treasure trove of African-American culture. We have an update now on her son's effort to make the important collection accessible to everyone.

RIVERSIDE WEDDINGS

February 14, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:30)

KCAL9 reporter Greg Mills reported live from Moreno Valley, that 50plus couples who have found Mr. And Mrs. Right are making it official, becoming husband and wife. They're doing the I-do's in Riverside County.

SENIORS RENEW VOWS

February 14, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:06)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported the story of the Southland seniors who are renewing their vows this Valentine's Day. They're showing the rest of us that love really can last forever.

SAME SEX MARRIAGE

February 14, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:37)

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported that the third time was not the charm for a lesbian couple seeking a marriage license in Beverly Hills. Robin Tyler and Diane Olson made another failed Valentine's Day attempt to get the court's okay today, after trying the same thing last year and three years earlier.

WOMAN'S CLUB

February 20, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:01)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported that a local woman's club is closing forever, after more than 100 years. They've spent countless hours serving the community, doing everything from sewing scarves for cancer patients to organizing the PTA.

ROVING PIT BULLS

February 20, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:30)

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported that the dogs are still on the loose, and neighbors are worried in Altadena.

BABY BORN ON STREET

February 21, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:23)

KCAL9 reporter Carter Evans reported from Long Beach that it was quite an exciting morning. A blessed event came in a real big hurry for one happy Long Beach couple. Everybody's doing fine this afternoon.

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 21, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:35)

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported that here in Los Angeles, there's a new twist to the centuries-old religious tradition. Today you see a lot of people walking around with black ashes smudged on their forehead—but fire codes and environmental laws have changed where those ashes come from.

RACE FOR THE CURE

February 23, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 reporter Annie Kim reported that a local breast cancer survivor is now channeling her energies into the upcoming Race For The Cure. She introduces us to this remarkable woman.

MRS. BUSH IN TOWN

February 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:27)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported that First Lady Laura Bush is visiting Southern California. Right now she is at the Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley where she's seen an exhibit of First Ladies red dresses. She's also participating in a roundtable discussion on women's heart health care at the library.

GANG SWEEP

February 28, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:32)

KCAL9 reporter Greg Mills reported live from Riverside with details on a big crackdown rounding up dozens of gang members. Hundreds of officers took part in the early morning operation across Riverside and San Bernardino Counties.

LIVE FIRE TRAINING

February 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:04)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Dave Lopez reported live from Anaheim to show the latest—for the first time, Anaheim firefighters are getting a chance to train in a live fire situation. Caltrans bought an old apartment complex and is letting the city use it for the drills.

KID NEEDS TRANSPLANT

March 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:51)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported live from Lakewood, with the story of a Southland family in desperate need this afternoon. They're hoping people will come forward to offer a gift of life.

TARGETING GANS

March 5, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:19)

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported that Presidential Candidate Rudy Giuliani, Governor Schwarzenegger and Sheriff Lee Baca all came together for a high stakes meeting on combating the gang problem today.

HOMELESS METERS

March 5, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:35)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Greene reported that the city of Denver, California has come up with a novel way to fight homelessness—they call it the homeless meter. The city has recycled old parking meters and re-labeled them. People simply drop coins in the meter instead of giving handouts to pan handlers, and then the money collected will be distributed to organizations fighting homelessness.

THE EVACUEES

March 11, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:44)

KCAL9 reporter Lonnie Rivera reported live from Anaheim Hills, where the huge fire has forced hundreds of families to evacuate their homes tonight in both Anaheim Hills and the city of Orange. Evacuation centers have been established for residents and their animals as well.

ENCOUNTER CLOSED

March 11, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:27)

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported that although it's one of the most recognizable structures in Los Angeles, LAX officials have now closed down the "Encounter" restaurant, after pieces of its decorative arches began falling to the ground.

KIMONOS DISAPPEARING

March 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:31)

KCAL9 reporter Lucy Craft reported that today, most kimonos—the traditional dress of Japan—are no longer being made in Japan, but in China. She reports from Tokyo that kimonos are disappearing from the closets of modern Japanese women.

FROZEN EGG / SPERM BABY

March 16, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Michele Gile reported on what you could call a fertility "first". A local woman and her baby-to-be may soon be making medical history, and it all started when she signed up to be part of a study.

PIECEMAKERS HEALTH

March 19, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:08)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported live from Costa Mesa, where health inspectors paid what they called "a last visit" to a religious group that day. They wanted to make sure the "piecemakers" are not serving food illegally.

HOLLYWOOD PARADE ENDS

March 22, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:31)

KCAL9 reporter Lonni Rivera reported that Hollywood's famous Christmas parade is now history. The Hollywood Chamber of Commerce is ending the Christmas Parade, citing low interest and rising costs. Now some L.A. city officials hope an alternative event will be organized.

COYOTE AIRHORN

March 21, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:46)

KCAL9 reporter Lonni Rivera reported that city leaders in Oxnard are literally sounding off about a coyote problem there—they've introduced the use of air-horns to keep the scavengers away. The move comes after a number of complaints about coyotes killing or eating pets.

IMMIGRATION BILL

March 22, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:39)

KCAL 9 Anchor Ann Martin reported that here in Los Angeles, a coalition of labor and community groups rallied today on the steps of City Hall to support a bi-partisan bill that eases permanent residency requirements.

MLK NEW HIV CLINIC

March 23, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:45)

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported that the newly renovated and expanded Oasis Clinic opened in South L.A. this morning. The center, which offers primary healthcare services to patients battling HIV and AIDS, features six-thousand square feet of new exam, laboratory and triage areas.

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL

March 27, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:39)

KCAL9 reporter Mary Beth McDade reported live from Parker Center, with the story of the candlelight vigil held by friends and family tonight to remember a 17-month-old girl. She was killed in a drive-by shooting while sitting in her mother's car.

FIREFIGHTER RETIRES

March 30, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:41)

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported live from a firehouse in Porter Ranch, with the story of an L.A. city firefighter who is hanging up his boots and calling it quits after a remarkable career with the department. He is retiring after 50 years on the job.

ENVIRONMENT

BIRD DEATHS

January 8, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 0:44)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reported an update on the story of dozens of dead birds found near the state capitol. Earlier today, police closed a ten-block stretch of Congress Avenue, so experts could do environment tests.

WINDY WEATHER

January 2, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:54)

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported live from Santa Clarita with details on the windy weather bringing fire concerns. A red-flag warning is in effect right now for parts of Southern California including Los Angeles County.

FIRE IN THE SKY

January 4, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:32)

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported that there was an incredible sight over Denver and parts of the Midwest that day—people saw streaks of light shooting across the morning skies. Many people thought it was a meteor, but tonight we know it was pieces of a Russian rocket body that broke apart when it re-entered the earth's atmosphere.

MALIBU WILDFIRE

January 9, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported live from the scene as part of the team coverage, with the latest on the investigation of the fire in Malibu, which is our top story this hour. Only hotspots remain this afternoon, but the damage is more than evident.

RECORD COLD

January 14, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:34)

KCAL9 reporter Suraya Fadel reported live from Simi Valley with the latest on our Arctic blast. It looks like we're in for another night of record-breaking cold. The temperatures won't dip quite as low, but tonight we have the wind-chill factor to consider.

PASADENA MUDSLIDE

January 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:34)

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported that the cold temperatures triggered a mudslide that morning in Pasadena. The culprit was a water main break, and she was there for the clean-up.

KANAN DUME CLOSURE

January 18, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:53)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported as part of the live team coverage, on another blast of winter weather today. It's made for some truly bizarre sights, snarled travel plans and is putting us into the record books.

NIGHT WIND

January 21, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:37)

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Sabih reported live in Montrose with the latest on the wind and the threat of wildfire. Red-flag warnings are flying, and firefighters are on alert tonight as strong, dry winds blow across Southern California.

VENTURA COUNTY BRUSH FIRE

January 22, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:15)

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported live from the ground in Thousand Oaks with residents facing the flames. Homes threatened but no homes lost in this brush fire.

COYOTE KILLS DOG

January 26, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:15)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported live near Whittier with details on this story. Driven by hunger, thirst and the cold, coyotes have been on the prowl all over Southern California. Two were spotted near the Grover earlier this week, and now a Whittier resident says a pack of coyotes attacked her dogs and killed one of them.

RAIN TONIGHT

January 27, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:19)

KCAL9 reporter Suraya Fadel reported live from Burbank, where the rain's been coming down off-and-on for hours. We have live team coverage, as we have another cold, wet night in Southern California and latest winter storm moves through the area.

RAIN / BURN AREAS

January 29, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:30)

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported from Ventura County that more rain is the forecast for many parts of Southern California today. The wet winter weather over the weekend generated flood watches for areas that had fires in the last few weeks.

BUMPY STREET

January 29, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:52)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported that there are some unhappy folks in Orange today. Residents there say newly paved streets are worse to drive on now, than before the work was done.

MOUNTAIN LION SCARE

February 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:32)

KCAL9 reporter Annie Kim reported that some people in Rancho Palos Verdes say they saw a mountain lion. Or was it a bobcat? Or none of the above? Fish and Game officials are still trying to solve the mystery this afternoon.

GLOBAL WARMING REPORT

February 2, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:47)

KCAL9 reporter Charlie D'Agata reported that scientists are voicing concerns about the future of our climate—they unveiled an alarming global warming report at an international conference today. It's the result of six years of study, involving scientists from more than one hundred nations.

BEACHES CLOSED

February 7, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:25)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reported that several beaches are offlimits right now because of a raw sewage spill. L.A. County public health officials closed parts of Will Rogers, Venice and Dockweiler Beaches. Tomorrow afternoon the inspectors will check whether the sewage has filtered out.

DEEP FREEZE

February 8, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 reporter Rob Marciano reported that the Northeast is still in a deep freeze, and it could get even worse. Some areas in upstate New York could get eight feet of snow by this weekend, and some areas already have that much.

BALD EAGLES FOUND

February 11, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:36)

KCAL9 Anchor Glen Walker reported that scientists have found a number of rare bald eagles spending their winter here in Southern California. The annual winter census of the threatened birds counted at least a dozen of them near Lake Arrowhead and Big Bear Lake.

DEAD BIRDS

February 12, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:18)

KCAL9 reporter Jennifer Sabih reported live from Huntington Beach with the deadly mystery of birds dropping dead and washing up on shore—something is killing birds in Orange County.

WINTER STORM

February 14, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:30)

KCAL9 reporter Drew Levinson reported that at least 13 deaths are now blamed on a huge storm system that's pounded parts of the Midwest and northeast. The latest snow fall is affecting airports and highways.

RAIN / SNOW

February 19, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:33)

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported that a wet day turned into a dry night. 130 accidents plagued the morning commute, including a jack-knifed big rig and a five-car pile-up on the rain-slicked westbound 210 freeway.

NASA NEW PLANETS

February 21, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:46)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported that the burning question of many scientists is, "Is there life in outer space?" Now scientists at NASA and JPL say they're getting closer to finding more answers.

BIG BEAR SNOW

February 22, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 1:24)

KCAL9 reporter Greg Mills reported that the storm is expected to bring snow to the mountain areas. In places like Big Bear, folks are gearing up for what some hope is the biggest snowfall of the season.

MOUNTAIN SNOW

February 23, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:29)

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported that the winter storm that rained on the Southland left plenty of snow in your local mountains. The snow level came down to about 3500 feet and dumped up to six inches of new snow. The icy roads made chains mandatory for anyone using highways 18, 38 and 330.

TAHOE SNOW

February 26, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:29)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Greene reported that after one of the driest January's on record, the Lake Tahoe region is now getting some heavy snowfall. The California Highway Patrol is warning drivers about slick and treacherous mountain passes.

GRAPEVINE SNOW

February 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:46)

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported live now from Lebec with travel warnings this afternoon on I-5 through the Grapevine. Right now the freeway is open, but it was shut down for about two hours early today because of snow and ice.

BEES DYING

February 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:53)

KCAL9 reporter John Blackstone reported that something mysterious is happening to bees across the country—millions of them are dying in the biggest blight ever reported.

DEADLY TORNADOES

March 1, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:37)

KCAL9 reporter Mary Beth McDade reported details on the widespread destruction. Deadly tornadoes tore into homes, a high school and a hospital. These killer tornadoes took aim across the Midwest and the South today—in Alabama alone, seven people were killed.

405 WIDENING

March 5, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:44)

KCAL9 reporter Lonnie Rivera reported that a freeway widening project on the 405 is supposed to relieve traffic congestion along the heavily traveled corridor. But the plan could also call for the demolition of expensive homes and businesses to make room for the new car pool lane.

CALI EARTHQUAKE

March 8, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:30)

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported that an earthquake struck central California around 7:15, in the mountains of Mono County, about 14 miles northwest of Bridgeport. It had a preliminary magnitude of four-point-seven. No reports of injuries or damage.

BEACH HEAT

March 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:32)

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported that temperatures today made it feel like we skipped spring and went straight to summer. It was so warm, that plenty of people headed to the beach in Santa Monica.

ANAHEIM HILLS FIRE

March 11, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:18)

KCAL9 reporter Linda Alvarez reported the top story that night—the Windy Ridge fire that broke out this afternoon in Anaheim Hills. The fire quickly spread up the eastern edge of the hills, and it's bordered by the 91 and 55 freeways, near Corona Pass. The first is only tenpercent contained, and covers at least two-thousand acres.

HEAT WAVE

March 12, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:16)

KCAL9 reporter Rick Chambers reported live from Valencia, that we were on 'heat watch' that afternoon. The hot, dry, windy weather is not good news for the firefighters.

FLOWER CONFIDENTIAL

March 15, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Ann Martin reported a look at how globalization has changed the cut-flower industry. They are not the flowers we grew in the garden anymore, and a new book may get you to see a bouquet in a whole new light.

LATE-WINTER STORM

March 16, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Greene reported that a nasty late-winter storm blasted much of the northeast that day, closing schools, canceling airline flights and causing at least two deaths. And the storm isn't over yet—the region's expected to take another hit tonight.

SEA LION INVASION

March 21, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:43)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Michele Gile reported that there is a sea lion invasion in Orange County, and they put on quite a show for beachgoers. The sea lions are the talk of Orange County's coastal community.

CALIFORNIA MOTH INFESTATION

March 23, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:45)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that a moth, which somehow slipped its way into California from overseas, is now a big threat to our agriculture industry. Farming officials say the light brown Apple Moth probably arrived on an airplane from Hawaii or Australia, and are now popping up all over the Bay area, and could affect a wide range of fruit harvests.

RAIN ON THE WAY

March 26, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported live from Ventura with details on the unseasonable weather. Get out the umbrella and button up your coat—rain and cold are heading our way.

OC WATER SHORTAGE

March 28, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:54)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported that the word out in Orange County this week is conserve-conserve-conserve water—at least until the end of the week. He explains why this unusual call for conservation is so important.

GRIFFITH PARK BRUSHER

March 30, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 reporter Mark Coogan reported live from near Universal City, with part of our live team coverage on the Griffith Park fire, which started very close to a large apartment complex on Barham Boulevard—the Oakwood Apartments.

CONSUMER & ECONOMICS

LAX TROUBLE

January 1, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:54)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported live from LAX that as always, when highways are closed and hundreds of flights are cancelled at Denver's airport, travelers at LAX start to feel the pain, too.

HOLIDAY FIRE SAFETY

January 1, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:58)

KCAL9 reporter Paul Dandridge reported that it's a tragic story that happens all too often this time of year—house fires. But the Mayor and other city officials are doing what they can to help a South L.A. family left homeless by a blaze earlier this week.

GAS PRICES

January 7, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:35)

KCAL9 reporter Mary Beth McDade reported that nationwide gas prices went up almost three cents last week, but in the Southland pump prices are down. And AAA says that dropping crude oil future prices could bring even lower prices in a few weeks.

CONSUMER ELECTRONICS

January 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:38)

KCAL9 reporter Manuel Gallegus reported on the latest and greatest gadgets at the Consumer Electronics Show. It's one of the things happening in Vegas that electronics manufacturers hope people will blog about, text message about or just chat about.

AUTO SHOW

January 9, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:50)

KCAL9 reporter Anthony Mason reported an inside look at what's hot this year, inside the Auto Show. Many cars make their debut at the Detroit Auto Show before they hit the road.

WII PROBLEMS

January 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported that there are more problems with the popular "Wii" video game system—players getting hurt! Remote controllers flying across the room is not part of the game.

BIODIESEL FUELS

January 10, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:31)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reported that here in California, there is another legislative effort to produce more cars that run on cleaner-burning fuel. State Senator Dean Florez said the use of bio-diesel would help the environment and reduce our dependence on foreign oil.

PRODUCE DAMAGE

January 16, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:15)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported live from Studio City as part of live team coverage of the cold and its effects. The record cold was our top story—it's hit farmers the entire length of the state, and that will hit you right in the pocketbook.

CREDIT CARD FRAUD

January 18, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:27)

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported live from La Canada with details on this consumer nightmare. A major security breach at T.J. Maxx and Marshall's stores. Someone hacked into the parent company's computer system and stole customer credit card information.

BEST L.A. HOTELS

January 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reported that a leading travel community website just released its annual Traveler's Choice Awards on the best hotels in the L.A. area. Millions of travelers determine the winners through reviews posted on tripadvisor-dot-com.

DO-IT-YOURSELF DISASTERS

January 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:04)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Green reported that home improvements and repairs can cost a fortune, leading many people to do the work themselves. Often, it's a recipe for do-it-yourself disasters. He explains what can happen when you get in over your head.

SPONGE DISASTERS

January 25, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:05)

KCAL9 Orange County reporter Dave Lopez reported that this week experts talked about how you can sterilize your kitchen sponges by tossing them in the microwave—but there was something crucial they forgot to mention, and lots of folks have accidentally set fires in their own homes!

PASSENGER BILL OF RIGHTS

January 26, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:13)

KCAL9 reporter Ann Martin reported that a Napa woman sat inside a dirty plan on a tarmac for nearly ten hours, and now she is taking action against the airline industry. She wants Congress to approve a Passenger Bill of Rights.

SAVINGS 74 YEAR LOW

February 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:51)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported live from Northridge, that although Ben Franklin said "a penny saved in a penny earned", many Americans seem to be ignoring that advise. And that has led to the lowest savings rate in 70 years.

HAWAII AIRFARES DOWN

February 5, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:03)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported live from LAX that if you've been thinking about a Hawaiian vacation, now's a good time. While the airlines have been raising ticket prices for most routes, they're cutting fares to paradise.

MILLION DOLLAR RAFFLE

February 5, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:44)

KCAL9 reporter Kimberly Plummer reported live from the Fairfax District where tickets are selling out fast—so if you had no luck with Powerball and you left Vegas empty-handed, now you have another shot at being a millionaire thanks to the state lottery's new million dollar raffle.

FLIGHT DELAYS

February 8, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 reporter Kimberly Plummer reported that if you're a frequent traveler, maybe you noticed that some airlines seem to have a tough time sticking to their flight schedules. In fact, a new report shows that "on time performance" has dropped for the fifth year in a row.

HIGH HEEL COMFORT

February 9, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:31)

KCAL9 reporter Lonni Rivera reported that women who love high heels know they can make you look great, but can also really hurt your feet. Now, one shoe company says it's got great news.

MTA FARES

February 9, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:29)

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported that a one-week promotion is being planned for the week after next, to boost MTA rider-ship. Bus fares will be reduced from \$1.25 to 50-cents on 18 lines around L.A. county. Metro officials are hoping commuters will see how much time and money they can save.

SWEETHEART DEAL / POLICE AUCTION February 12, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:33)

KCAL9 reporter Suzie Suh reported live from Tustin, about a sweetheart deal for your Valentine at an online auction. You can bid on precious jewels seized by police and other merchants, and it's all legal.

VALENTINE'S ICE CREAM

February 13, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:09)

KCAL9 reporter Jaime Garza reported live from Hollywood that you have less than 24 hours now to find that fabulous gift for the love of your life. There's the usual flowers and candy, but Jaime provides some more original and unusual gift ideas.

CHRYSLER LAYOFFS

February 14, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:38)

KCAL9 reporter Alexis Christoforous reported details on Daimler Chrysler's restructuring plan. Chrysler is following in GM and Ford's tire tracks...announcing massive job cuts.

JET BLUE / LOCAL BIZ

February 20, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 2:36)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported live from Valencia that JetBlue is still feeling the ripple effects of its Valentine's Day storm fiasco when passengers were stranded on the runways for nearly 12 hours. Now the airline is doing damage control. Nearly 300 employees of a Valencia company were among those whose trips were turned upside down.

IMPROVING SAFETY

February 21, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:29)

KCAL9 reporter Dave Clark reported that there's a new debate involving hybrid cars—the cars are now causing concern among blind pedestrians. They say they're having a hard time hearing the ultraquiet hybrids. The blind and visually-impaired rely on sounds from cars to know when it's safe to cross the street, so the hybrid's much quieter engines are confusing some blind pedestrians.

GERM KILLERS

February 23, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:29)

KCAL9 reporter Ann Martin reported that hand sanitizers are big sellers, for people trying to avoid catching a cold. Now killing germs is going high-tech, and it's big business.

KFC RATS

February 23, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:26)

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported on what probably was not part of the Colonel's "secret recipe"—rats running wild at KFC. The New York store had been closed for about an hour and the rats certainly made themselves at home, all while horrified customers and camera crews looked on.

EXTREME EATING

February 26, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:10)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported live from Pasadena with this story. The Center for Science in the Public Interest first called for labeling on food in supermarkets...now they want labeling on restaurant menus. They say restaurants are cooking up extremely high calorie meals.

STOCK MARKETS

February 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:44)

KCAL9 reporter Alexis Christoforous reported that Wall Street is recovering today after a huge plunge yesterday. It was the worst drop in five years.

BOUNCING BACK

March 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Alexis Christoforous reported the latest from Wall Street. A volatile day at the stock market—the Dow Jones got off to a bad start, but bounced back later today.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

March 5, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:21)

KCAL9 reporter Chris Lawrence reported that this Sunday we begin daylight savings time, and we'll "Spring forward". And it comes three weeks sooner than in previous years. But many computers aren't ready for the early switch. We look into the concerns.

\$3 GAS

March 8, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:34)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzalez reported that the price of gasoline is back to three dollars a gallon. The Auto Club says the average price of a gallon of regular unleaded is up more than 13-cents from a year ago. And as the industry switches to more expensive summer blends of gas, analysts say prices could reach record levels by Summer.

COUNTERFEIT WINE

March 11, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:36)

KCAL9 Anchor Glen Walker reported that some wine collectors may have ended up with sour grapes—some bottles that claimed to be rare and vintage may have actually been counterfeit. But the question is, did the sellers know the wine was fake?

\$11,000 COFFEE MACHINE

March 15, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:52)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported that if Starbucks doesn't do it for you anyone, one shop in downtown L.A. claims it has the crème-de-lacrème of coffee machines. And the owner paid \$11-thousand for it.

HIGH GAS PRICES

March 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported live from Van Nuys with tips on how you can find cheap gas in your neighborhood. For the first time in six months, gas prices have topped a whopping three dollars per gallon.

PET FOOD DANGERS

March 21, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 reporter Lisa Sigell reported live from Valley Village with the story of how countless pet owners here in the Southland and nationwide fear that a pet food contamination problem could claim the lives of their precious companions. Five dogs and cats have died in L.A. County alone.

PET FOOD RAT POISON

March 23, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:17)

KCAL9 reporter Randy Paige reported that rat poison has been found in the recalled pet food, suspected of causing the death of more than a dozen cats and dogs. But scientists still don't know how it got there. Researchers are looking at the source of the contamination.

CIRCUIT CITY LAYOFFS

March 28, 4-5pm newscast 9TRT 0:28)

KCAL9 Anchor Harold Greene reported that the electronics chain Circuit City says it's cutting costs by laying off about 34-hundred retail workers who it says are earning 'well above' market-based pay. Circuit City plans to replace them with employees within the market range.

DISHWASHER WARNING

March 30, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:37)

KCAL9 reporter Glen Walker reported a warning about faulty dishwashers in Orange County. One is being blamed for a condo fire in Lake Forest. Fire investigators believe a short in the heating/drying mechanism caused the fire. A recall was issued for certain Hotpoint and GE dishwashers seven years ago, though this one was not part of that recall.